

## POETRY

**A POET AND A WOMAN.**  
You bent above the grave and read the  
stone  
Where long ago—I saw your quiet  
tears start—  
Some stranger, unremembered and un-  
known,  
Had woven into song his broken  
heart.  
And then you asked if only loss a  
death  
Moved man to truer song and brought  
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that bleed,  
You asked how I, who knew a  
mourned no dead,  
Could hope for a music, since  
chords must spring  
From death and sorrow—and I on  
"Have I not my dead selves of wh  
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—Arthur Stringer, in Smart Set.

**AT NIGHTFALL.**

The toys being put away, the br  
prayer said,  
My prayer—same—O soul serene  
benign—  
And staid a little time beside r  
bed,  
And leaning, placed her sooth  
hand on mine  
And sought to put my fears  
thoughts to flight  
As though I were sure you are n  
lonely, dear?  
You know that God is in the sil  
That there is nothing for my ch  
to fear?"

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You had a bad,  
You must not come, my mother de-  
No words may set at rest the lurk-  
But still your love walks with me  
And still your presence through the  
days endures:  
So at this hour, oh let me grasp,  
I pray,  
The small, sure, perfect wisdom that  
—Louis Dodge, in *Youth's Companion*.

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## VIEWS AND VARIETIES

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### Clever Sayings.

The Boy—You're a fine wealth  
prophet. You said it would snow to-  
morrow. The Girl—Oh, well, I  
changed my mind! Life—  
"You're a funny, foolish, chin-  
grook." "It's a Parson, one of the  
biggest won't worship the sun, Willyum."  
"Over ere on a holiday, I suppose?"  
The Boy—  
There was a young lady from Wemy

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Ward said they would insist on having bus galavots to vote in, instead of booth.

—Buffalo Express.

Laurelton, Tenn., Feb. 10.—I'd like to get paid for pinchers. Floor Walker—St. Paul department, Boston Transcript.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—The wind had just awakened from his 20-year sleep. "Ha! I'd raised the Baddieship Maine already yet!" he cried. "No," they answered. "Hase, Bernard! kvit make!" he yelled. "No," "Vot's de use!" he exclaimed. And he went to sleep again.—Chicago Tribune.

**MUCH IN LITTLE**

Of the 1,023 locomotives built by C. firm last year, 137 were electric.

The first and only telephone exchange in British Honduras was installed at Belize in 1905, the equipment having been ordered and supplied from the United States.

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In Mexico the loss of a limb to the railway workers is frequent cause of serious trouble. Neglected injuries to feet, hands and arms are the cause of many a reputation for idleness, perhaps in cooler climates might have been avoided.

Prolonged drought in the Laguna district of Mexico greatly reduced the estimated yield of cotton, the loss being figured at 35 per cent. A Torreón newspaper has estimated that the 1914-15 year's crop at \$12,500,000 gold.

Corroborating his recent statement that the raising of hogs in England had been decreasing, Consul Honener F. Brinkley, of London, has received word from the board of agriculture in England that, in 1914, the number of pigs was given as 2,418,987, a decrease of 39,900 from 1913.

Consul Theodoros Bokken was called from Southampton, New York, to attend the funeral of a young man who had been killed in a railway accident.

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so generally supplied with fur seals and fish, that the people of this city prior to the recent war, made no account of the seal. He adds that not a dozen of them saved their possessions.

Mustard seed is sown in Holland March and April. It blossoms in June and the plant is stronger. The crop as a rule is ready for harvest August or September. The plants are cut and the seed is dried in the sun. The seed of the plants, or perhaps more generally, the shrubs are put together in small piles and thus dried in the sun.

As a result of the annexation of Korea the patent office in the residence general at Seoul being abolished, patent rights in Korea are now administered in the Japanese patent bureau. Applications require much examination and the Japanese patent office has become necessary for some years maintain an agent of the bureau in Korea.

Until recently it was necessary

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running. New regulations have, however, been issued by the government which exempt the owner from the provision he be in possession of an international traveling pass and certain formalities are attended to at the custom house on landing.